

A STUDENT'S GUIDE TO THE UNIVERSITY STUDIES PROGRAM (USP)

THE UNIVERSITY REQUIRES A MINIMUM OF 38 CREDITS IN USP APPROVED COURSEWORK

The Foundation of Your Education at UW Oshkosh

Students in all majors complete general education courses through the University Studies Program. These general education courses will help to prepare you for advanced study at the university as well as life after graduation. We encourage you to choose courses to satisfy and enhance major and/or degree requirements.

The "QUEST" series will provide valuable experiences in addition to content courses that will satisfy credit requirements in the EXPLORE categories listed below. The University Studies Program is designed to also explore the following signature questions. Ideally students will take a course in each of the following:

1. **Sustainability:** How do people understand and create a more sustainable world?
2. **Civic Learning:** How do people understand and engage in community life?
3. **Intercultural Knowledge*:** How do people understand and bridge cultural differences?
**These courses also satisfy one of the following requirements: Ethnic Studies (ES) or Global Citizenship (GC)*

NOTE: Courses in the QUEST series satisfy credit requirements in the EXPLORE category below

QUEST I (Q1) 1st Semester First Year Experience (FYE) Connecting to Campus	QUEST II (Q2) 2nd Semester First Year Experience (FYE) – cont. Planning your Future	QUEST III (Q3) 3rd or 4th Semester Community Experience
Explore Course: _____ (XL or XC or XS)	Explore Course: _____ (XL or XC or XS)	Explore Course: _____ (XL or XC or XS)
Paired with: Writing OR Speaking	Taken concurrently with: Writing OR Speaking	
Signature Question: _____	Signature Question: _____	Signature Question: _____

WRITING & SPEAKING

Writing: WRT 188 or WRT 110 (Honors) _____ 3 credits
**Developmental English may also be required based on English placement test score.*

Speaking: COMM 111 or COMM 112 (Honors) _____ 3 credits

EXPLORE (Remember to include your QUEST courses in the appropriate area below.)

Nature (XM & XL)

**Consider Math placement test score, major, and degree requirements to determine appropriate course(s).
 Developmental Math may also be required based on Math placement test score. (Ex. Math 100, 101, and/or 103)

Mathematics (XM): _____ 3 credits

Laboratory Sciences (XL): _____ 8 credits

Culture (XC) - choose 3 courses from at least 2 different departments 9 credit

Society (XS) - choose 3 courses from at least 2 different departments 9 credits

Ethnic Studies (ES) AND Global Citizenship (GC)

**These requirements can be met with select Culture (XC) or Society (XS) courses.*

_____ (ES) _____ (GC)

CONNECT: ADVANCED WRITING (XK)

3 credits

WRT 288 (Quest series students; complete after Q3) **OR** WRT 287 (Transfer/Re-entry students) **OR** WRT 310 (Honors)